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SUBJECT JAMAICA FLOUR MILLS/PILLSBURY NEGOTIATIONS

WITH GOJ

1. PILLSBURY OFFICIAL FRANK RIGGS CALLED AT EMBASSY TO
BRING US UP TO DATE ON NEGOTIATIONS WITH GOJ. HE STATED
THAT THE STOCKHOLDERS GENERAL MEETING LAST JUNE VOTED
TO ACCEPT GOJ'S OFFER. SINCE THEN, HOWEVER, COMPANY
HAS HEARD NOTHING

2. HE EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH THE NEW WAGE CONTRACT
DESPITE A 10 DAY STRIKE. THE CONTRACT IS FOR TWO YEARS
WITH INCREASES OF 43 PERCENT THE FIRST YEAR AND 6 PERCENT
IN THE SECOND YEAR. UNDER THE NEW CONTRACT THE PRESENT
SCALE OF \$42.40 BOTTOM TO \$64.40 TOP MOVES TO \$61.48 TO \$92.09
IN THE FIRST YEAR AND \$65.78 TO \$97.61 IN THE
SECOND YEAR. FRINGE BENEFITS
INCLUDED INCREASED SHIFT PREMIUMS,
LARGER SUPPER ALLOWANCES, INCREASED LIFE INSURANCE
COVERAGE, AND EXTENSION OF THE MEDICAL PROGRAM
TO INCLUDE DOCTORS' VISITS AT HOME

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3. COMMENT: FACT THERE IS NO MOVEMENT IN THE PILLSBURY

AFFAIR PROBABLY RELATES TO GOJ'S PRESENT FINANCIAL
CRISIS AND PREOCCUPATION WITH PHASEII OF THE ANTI-
INFLATION PACKAGE. GERARD

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